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Family Entertainment Abounds

PUEBLO, Colo. – Families will find a lot to do and see at the Colorado State Fair, and for not a lot of money.

Educational exhibits are all around the Fair, starting with the display boards and exhibits in the 4-H buildings on the East side of the Fairgrounds. See what youth have carved, woven, baked and assembled. The buildings show the best of Colorado youth projects in everything from food to handmade clothing (some from duct tape) to rocketry and leather crafts.

Livestock are a big part of the Fair's agricultural experience. Kids can get a hands-on experience at the Milk Bessie booth, located on the North side of the Livestock Pavilion. There, they also can see water buffalo as well as a variety of sheep, goats, pigs and cattle that are being exhibited daily.

The Horse Show area has plenty to see for families walking around and the Department of Agriculture's own Agriculture Pavilion lets kids experience a variety of farm animals and hands-on activities throughout the Pavilion including "crop boxes," and a roping arena. They can even paint things found on a farm or ranch on the BIG Country Farm mural. The Children's FFA Barnyard sponsored by Anadarko will be fun as the young ones watch piglets, rabbits and baby chickens.

Plus, the fair is packed with free educational exhibits, a carnival, free music, a giant sand sculpture, and a variety of entertaining attractions.

Families can find affordable ways to come to the Fair by checking the Deals & Discounts page at <http://www.coloradostatefair.com/p/About-The-Fair/155>. There are deals and discounts on gate admission almost every day of the Fair, and plenty of free attractions and exhibits once you are here!

The Colorado State Fair runs from August 23 – September 2, 2013. For more information, visit www.coloradostatefair.com.

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The 2013 Colorado State Fair will mark the Fair's 141st year as Colorado's premier celebration of agriculture. The Fairgrounds provides nearly \$34 million in economic activity to Colorado throughout the year; \$29 million of that activity is driven by the annual State Fair event. In addition to showcasing Colorado agriculture, the annual event features one of the country's largest traveling carnivals, artwork, crafts, food competitions, thrilling rodeo action, a wide variety of food and merchandise booths and a Fiesta Day honoring Colorado's ties to the Hispanic culture.